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1. Plans made about three months ago for the movement of the Floesti oil refineries to the USSR available information states that these plans are gradually being executed, and are under the supervision of Ivan Vashinski, a Soviet engineer. Vashinski obtains his orders directly from General Konstantin Stepanovich Kolganov, as well as from Sovrempetrol, the Soviet tool for control of Rumanian oii.

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2. Vashinski is now proceeding to establish complete control over the valley of Fraheva and the region of Buzau. Such Rumanian personnel in the oil industry (including oil transportation) as still lingers in this region is to be replaced by Soviet citizens. The whole area will then be isolated by Soviet troops and Vashinski's men will take the entire Ploesti refining plant to pieces and prepare it for shipment. Other refining plants in the same area will also be dismantled.

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Comment: General Kolganov, Soviet military attache in Rumania, is in charge of a special group of the Soviet Secret Police whose sole task is to keep an eye on Soviet citizens or White Russians residing in Rumania.

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